

Environment

HB1294 SD1 CD1

RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS.

Clarifies that the accepting agency or authority for an environmental impact statement (i.e. county planning department) is not required to be the approving agency (i.e. county council or mayor). Requires an environmental assessment for major wastewater facilities, waste-to-energy facilities, landfills, oil refineries, and power-generating facilities built on private land with private funds.

HB2375 HD1 SD1

RELATING TO SOLID WASTE CONTROL.

Makes it a class C felony offense to knowingly dispose of certain amounts of solid waste anywhere other than a permitted solid waste management system without the written approval of the director of health. Provides for a deferred prosecution agreement for first time offenses. (SD1)

HB2498 HD1

RELATING TO INTERIM RULES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.

Authorizes the Department of Land and Natural Resources to adopt interim rules to protect native species threatened with imminent danger or species extinction.

Encouraging Alternative Energy

SB3207 SD2 HD2 CD1

RELATING TO ETHANOL TAX CREDIT.

Changes the ethanol investment tax credit to the ethanol facility tax credit (EFTC); bars other credits if EFTC is claimed; clarifies definitions; limits EFTC to investment amount; and allows EFTC only in years that the facility is operating at 75% of nameplate capacity or more and if production commences on or before 1/1/12.
